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4. FY 2000 Spending Authority

Steve Ritchie presented a rough breakout of CALFED spending authorities, contract by contract. He commented that the CALFED preference is that money goes through as few hands as possible, and that there is a need to ascertain the spending authorities of the appropriate agencies, rather than worrying about exactly which is the appropriate agency.

Steve noted to Susan Ramos that CALFED needs a decision on USBR spending authority as soon as possible. Steve went on to say that there will still be problems with State receivable authority, agency by agency, until the new State fiscal year. In the meantime, CALFED will be convening a meeting with the State Department of Finance later this month to expedite receivable authority capabilities for appropriate state agencies.

5. Legislation

Patrick Wright inquired as to activities on the legislative front. Dan McCarroll responded that there is a hearing next week on Machado's proposed Water Transfers Clearinghouse bill. Steve Macaulay commented that it would be a shame if the two years of work of the BDAC Work Group went unnoticed or unacknowledged by the legislature. Along with Patrick he raised the question of what would be the best way to develop a CALFED legislative strategy.

Outcome: Patrick will convene a meeting with Linda Adams, Steve Macaulay and Steve Ritchie to discuss strategy on CALFED-related legislation, and discuss the appropriate approach/leadership on this strategy.